

**IDAHO BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS**  
**Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses**  
P.O. Box 83720  
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**Meeting Minutes of 4/30/2020**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Helen A Napier, Ph.D. - Chair  
Linda Hatzenbuehler, Ph.D.  
Theresa L Ross, Ph.D.  
Jason D Gage, Ph.D.

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Denton Darrington

**DIVISION STAFF:** Dawn Hall, Deputy Division Administrator  
Nicholas Crema, General Counsel  
Rob McQuade, Legal Counsel  
Pam Rebolo, Board Specialist

**OTHERS PRESENT:** William Meyers  
Tracy Marsh  
Nina Nabors  
Craig Beaver  
Cynthia Brownsmith  
Margaret Henbest  
Melissa Henbest  
Don Kincaid  
Paige Haviland  
Roger Yoder  
Terry Kerler  
Sara Ledgerwood  
Susan Martin  
Deb Katz  
Tammy Phelps  
Thomas Grandas  
Amy Walters  
Ken McClure  
Anita Elderkin  
Rebecca Bosch  
Lance Giles  
Nohemi Vasquez  
Marian Bennetti Atwell

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM MDT by Helen A Napier, PhD.  
Dr. Napier gave brief introductory remarks and turned the floor over to Nicholas Crema, general counsel, who advised all attendees of the format of the meeting.

Mr. Crema stated that on August 28, 2019, Walden University filed a petition for rule change pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-5230. The petition sought to change rule 500.08 by modifying the requirement for one (1) year of full-time physical residence in order for online educational curriculum to qualify for licensure.

On September 25, 2019, at its next regularly scheduled board meeting, the Board considered Walden's petition. The Board resolved the issue raised in Walden's petition by choosing to enter into negotiated rulemaking pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-5230(b).

## **PRESENTATION**

Dr. Tracy Marsh, senior core faculty at Walden University, presented on behalf of the university. She clarified her institution's understating of the Board's current requirement of one (1) year of full-time physical residence and acknowledged the comments concerning fully online programs that have no in-person training or evaluation of students. Dr. Marsh went on to explain the development of the blended (hybrid) program used by Walden University that includes one (1) full year of blended courses during which there is a small class of students who spend concentrated blocks of time on campus. Dr. Marsh also explained Walden University's curriculum.

Dr. Marsh concluded by stating that Walden supports Idaho's residency requirement in Rule 500.08, but would like clarification on behalf of clinical psychology programs that might offer residencies that equal or exceed the traditional academic year in full-time residence.

Others were asked to comment in support or against the rule change.

## **CONCLUSION**

Mr. McQuade stated that anyone wanting to submit any additional comments could do so by 5:00 PM MDT on Friday, May 22nd. The Board will meet and take up the matter again at the June 12, 2020 Board meeting.

## **ATTENDEES WHO IDENTIFIED AS BEING FOR THE PROPOSED RULE CHANGE**

| NAME             | REPRESENTATION                              |
|------------------|---|
| Susan Martin     | Idaho Consortium for Psychological Training |
| Terry Kerler     | Self  |
| Roger Yoder      | Self  |
| Tammy Phelps     | Self  |
| Rebecca Bosch    | Self  |
| Jessica Campbell | Self  |
| Nohemi Vasquez   | Self  |
| Lonnie Stapp     | Self  |

Anita Elderken

Self

**ATTENDEES WHO IDENTIFIED AS BEING AGAINST THE PROPOSED RULE CHANGE**

| NAME               | REPRESENTATION   |
|--------------------|--|
| Craig Beaver       | Self   |
| Cynthia Brownsmith | Self   |
| Chris Edwards      | Self   |
| Paige Haviland     | Self   |
| Thomas Grandas     | Self   |
| Amy Walker         | Self   |
| Marianne Atwell    | Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards      |
| Walter Campbell    | No   |
| Sara Ledgerwood    | Division of Professional Registration – University of Iowa |

**ATTENDEES WHO DID NOT WISH TO COMMENT**

| NAME             | REPRESENTATION                                |
|------------------|---|
| William Myers    | Holland & Hart on behalf of Walden University |
| Margaret Henbest | Self  |
| Deborah Katz     | Idaho Psychological Association               |
| Ken McClure      | Self  |
| Melissa Henbest  | Self  |
| Don Kincaid      | Self  |

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Helen A Napier, Ph.D., Chair